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Lance D. Gaebe, Commissioner

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From: Gerry Fisher, Administrator of the Energy Infrastructure and Impact Office Re: 2014 Fall Emergency Medical Services and Fire District Grant Round

On behalf of the North Dakota Board of University and School Lands (Land Board), the Energy Infrastructure and Impact Office is accepting grant applications from eligible political subdivisions from counties, cities, rural fire protection districts, and ambulance districts. This grant round is for Emergency Medical Services (EMS) and fire department needs resulting from impacts to infrastructure from oil and gas development activities.

Requests for funding to improve readiness, quality, and responsiveness of EMS and fire response teams being impacted from oil and gas development will be considered. Applications should be for projects to improve equipment; facilities; safety; planning efforts to develop or formalize county/regional mutual aid/joint powers agreements; oil industry specific training; leadership development; and obtaining assets to improve emergency response.

An advisory committee of EMS and fire department officials will assist in reviewing the applications. The Land Board will make grants based in part, upon recommendations of the advisory committee. Criteria used in evaluating requests include: safety improvement; financial need; result of energy activity; project readiness; and contribution to long term viability. The Land Board has allocated \$4.78 million for EMS and fire department grants.

An Energy Impact Office representative will be meeting with applicants in September 2014 to discuss details of the funding being requested. Applicants will be contacted regarding the meeting schedule, which will also be published on the energy impact website at www.nd.gov/energyimpact.

Funds will not be disbursed to successful grant recipients until projects or acquisitions are substantially complete and the supporting documentation is submitted along with a request for distribution of funds.

The application forms and lists of required supporting documentation are on the energy impact office web page: www.nd.gov/energyimpact. This Internet site contains both a PDF and MS Word application form that can be completed on-screen. Please seek the assistance of a library, school or extension office if you do not have computer and Internet access to retrieve this information.

Completed applications and supporting materials should be mailed to the office at the address above or e-mailed to energyimpact@nd.gov. Grant applications must be postmarked August 29, 2014. Applications submitted by e-mail will be accepted until 11:59 p.m. Central Time on August 29, 2014.